

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A blanket wash head for cleaning the blanket cylinder of a printing press comprises a plurality of bristles arranged on a brush that are sized to contact a flicker bar disposed within the blanket wash head. The bristles are arranged to travel along a path and to collect debris and/or moisture. The bristles comprises a leading bristle and a trailing bristle and, in response to rotation of the brush, an end of the trailing bristle swings along an arc caused by contact with a flicker bar. The bristles are spaced on the brush according to a low density cause the trailing bristle to swing through an arc a sufficient distance sufficient to dislodge the debris without interference with the leading bristle.